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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION FOR
APPROVAL OF ACQUISITION PLAN AND,
IF APPROPRIATE, WAIVER OF SELECTED
PROVISION OF THE AFFILIATE RULES.

Docket No. G-01551A-02-0425

RUCO'S APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

I.

The RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CONSUMER OFFICE ("RUCO") hereby applies to the
Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an Order granting it leave to
intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

II.

RUCO was established by the enactment of Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 40-
461, *et seq.*, for the purpose of representing residential utility consumers in matters before
the Commission concerning regulated public service corporations.

III.

Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 40-464.A.2., specifically provides that the
Director of RUCO may do the following:

Prepare and present briefs, arguments, proposed rates or
orders and intervene or appear on behalf of residential utility
consumers before hearing officers and the Corporation
Commission as a party in interest and also participate as a
party in interest pursuant to Section 40-254 in proceedings
relating to rate making or rate design and involving public
service corporations.

1 IV.

2 The residential utility consumers of Southwest Gas Corporation, will be directly and
3 substantially affected by a Decision or Order of the Commission in this matter, therefore, it
4 is necessary and proper that RUCO intervene in the proceeding.

5 V.

6 In order to fulfill its statutory obligation to protect the residential utility consumers of
7 this State, RUCO must thoroughly examine the materials presented by the Company, and
8 must cross-examine witnesses appearing on behalf of the Company and any other parties.
9 Additionally, RUCO may present testimony and exhibits of its own in any hearings
10 conducted by the Commission in this matter.

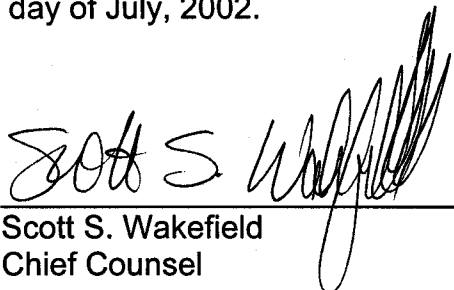
11 VI.

12 The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the person upon whom
13 service of all documents is to be made is,

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17 **Please Note that my address after July 17, 2002 will be 1110 West Washington, Suite**
18 **220, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. My new phone number will be (602) 364-4836.**

19 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 16th day of July, 2002.

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